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The status of claims in the case is as follows:

1 1. [Currently amended] A computer implemented method for
2 generating a goods receipt for approving and paying an
3 invoice for commodities triggered by a three way match
4 whereby said invoice must match terms and conditions of a
5 purchase order, and goods received must match those stated
6 in quality and quantity against said purchase order,
7 comprising the steps of:

8 receiving a requisition from a requestor of
9 commodities;

10 marking said commodities upon said requisition as
11 either receivable or non-receivable commodities,
12 receivable commodities including selected commodities
13 that do not flow through a receiving dock where a dock
14 worker creates a receipt transaction into an
15 application which bridges to an accounts payable system
16 where a three way match of goods received, purchase
17 order, and invoice occurs;

18 receiving said invoice for commodities from a vendor;

19 matching said invoice to said purchase order and
20 determining if said invoice relates to an item
21 designated on said invoice as receivable;

22 upon determining that said invoice includes an
23 item requiring positive confirmation.

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24 blocking payment of said invoice and generating from
25 said invoice a notification to said requestor of
26 commodities that includes information needed to pay the
27 invoice and a selectable button for generating a
28 response for authorizing or rejecting payment to enable
29 said three way match by said requestor of goods
30 received, purchase order, and invoice;

31 for commodities marked as receivable including those
32 selected commodities that do not flow through said
33 receiving dock, executing a positive confirmation
34 process including:

35 responsive to a response ~~generated~~ entered by said
36 requestor authorizing payment, creating an
37 automated receipt transaction file including a
38 goods receipt and entering said transaction file
39 into an enterprise resource planning system for
40 payment; and

41 responsive to a response ~~generated~~ entered by said
42 requestor rejecting payment, creating an e-mail
43 notification to accounts payable for returning
44 said invoice to said vendor;

45 for commodities marked as non-receivable, executing a
46 negative confirmation process.

2-9 [Canceled]

1 10. [Currently amended] The method of claim 1,
2 said positive confirmation process further comprising the

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3 steps of recording a goods receipt indicating the acceptance
4 or rejection of payment of an invoice by said requestor to a
5 database at a front-end requisition and catalog server; and
6 notifying a back-end procurement services system on a
7 scheduled basis when payment of an invoice is accepted by
8 said requestor, on a scheduled basis, by executing a bridge
9 for sending data from said database at said front-end
10 requisition and catalog server to said back-end procurement
11 services system for new invoice items for which payment has
12 been accepted.

13 11. [Original] The method of claim 10, further comprising
14 the step of posting as goods receipts at said back-end
15 procurement services system said new invoice items for which
16 payment has been accepted.

1 12. [Previously presented] The method of claim 10, further
2 comprising the steps of:

3 directing said requestor to review a positive
4 confirmation notice within a front-end requisition and
5 catalog system;

6 responsive to said requestor logging in to said front-
7 end system, displaying said notification.

1 13. [Currently amended] System for generating a receipt
2 for approving and paying an invoice for commodities
3 triggered by a three way match whereby said invoice must
4 match terms and conditions of a purchase order, and goods
5 received must match those stated in quality and quantity
6 against said purchase order, comprising:

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7 a front-end requisition and catalog server; said front-
8 end server for marking said commodities upon
9 requisition as either receivable or non-receivable
10 commodities, receivable commodities including selected
11 commodities that do not flow through a receiving dock
12 where a dock worker creates a receipt transaction into
13 an application which bridges to an accounts payable
14 system where a three way match of goods received,
15 purchase order, and invoice occurs;

16 a user interface to said front-end server for receiving
17 positive confirmation notices and providing positive
18 confirmation responses;

19 a back-end procurement services system;

20 said front-end system responsive to receiving an
21 invoice from said back-end system marked at time of
22 requisition as a non-receivable commodity that was
23 sourced from said front-end server of executing a
24 negative confirmation process for payment
25 authorization;

26 said front-end server being responsive receiving an
27 invoice from said back-end system marked at time of
28 requisition as a receivable commodity for executing a
29 positive confirmation process for payment authorization
30 including matching said invoice to said purchase order
31 to identify an invoiced item as a receivable commodity,
32 blocking payment of said invoice, and generating from
33 said invoice for said receivable commodity a
34 notification to an authorizer that includes information

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35 needed to authorize payment of said invoice by
36 ~~generating said goods receipt~~ and a selectable button
37 for authorizing or rejecting payment to enable said
38 three way match by said requestor of goods received,
39 purchase order, and invoice; and

40 said front-end server being responsive to ~~a goods~~
41 ~~receipt generated by~~ said authorizer authorizing
42 payment for an invoice received for a commodity marked
43 at requisition as a receivable commodity for creating a
44 goods receipt in an automated receipt transaction file
45 and entering said transaction file into said back-end
46 system for payment.

14-16 [Canceled]

1 17. [Currently amended] A program storage device readable
2 by a machine, tangibly embodying a program of instructions
3 executable by a machine to perform method steps for
4 generating a goods receipt for use in approving and paying
5 an invoice for commodities triggered by a three way match
6 whereby said invoice must match terms and conditions of a
7 purchase order, and goods received must match those stated
8 in quality and quantity against said purchase order, said
9 method steps comprising:

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11 marking said commodities upon requisition as either
12 receivable or non-receivable commodities, receivable
13 commodities including selected commodities that do not
14 flow through a receiving dock where a dock worker
15 creates a receipt transaction into an application which
16 bridges to an accounts payable system where a three way

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17 match of goods received, purchase order, and invoice.
18 occurs;

19 receiving said invoice for commodities from a vendor;

20 determining if an item for goods on said invoice is for
21 a commodity item marked on said purchase order as
22 receivable or non-receivable;

23 responsive to receiving an invoice for a commodity item
24 marked upon requisition as a non-receivable commodity,
25 executing a negative confirmation process for payment
26 authorization;

27 responsive to receiving an invoice for a commodity item
28 marked upon requisition as a receivable commodity
29 consisting of those selected commodities that do not
30 flow through said receiving dock, executing a positive
31 confirmation process for payment authorization,
32 including:

33 matching said invoice to said purchase order;

34 blocking payment of said invoice and generating
35 from said invoice a notification to an authorizer
36 that includes information needed to pay the
37 invoice and a selectable button for entering a
38 response authorizing or rejecting payment;

39 ~~to generate~~ creating from said response said goods
40 receipt to enable said three way match of good
41 receipt, purchase order, and invoice; and

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42 responsive to a goods receipt created from a
43 response input by said authorizer authorizing
44 payment of a receivable commodity item, creating
45 an automated receipt transaction file and entering
46 said transaction file into a system for payment.

18. [Canceled]

1 19. [Currently amended] A computer program product for
2 generating a goods receipt for approving an invoice for
3 commodities for payment triggered by a three way match
4 whereby said invoice must match terms and conditions of a
5 purchase order, and goods received must match those stated
6 in quality and quantity against said purchase order,
7 comprising:

8 a computer readable medium;

9 first program instructions for receiving a requisition
10 for commodities from a requestor and marking said
11 commodities selectively as receivable and non-
12 receivable commodities, receivable commodities
13 including selected commodities that do not flow through
14 a receiving dock where a dock worker creates a receipt
15 transaction into an application which bridges to an
16 accounts payable system where a three way match of
17 goods received, purchase order, and invoice occurs;

18 second program instructions for receiving said invoice
19 for commodities from a vendor and determining whether
20 said commodities have been marked at requisition as
21 receivable or non-receivable;

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22 third program instructions responsive to receiving an
23 invoice for a commodity marked at requisition as a
24 receivable commodity consisting of those selected
25 commodities that do not flow through said receiving
26 dock for executing a positive confirmation
27 ~~process including~~ process including matching said
28 invoice to said purchase order, generating from said
29 invoice a notification to said requestor that includes
30 information needed to pay the invoice and a selectable
31 button for ~~generating a goods receipt~~ entering a
32 response selectively authorizing or rejecting payment,
33 from said response generating a goods receipt for
34 enabling to enable said three way match of goods
35 received, purchase order, and invoice, and responsive
36 to authorization by said requestor, creating from said
37 goods receipt an automated receipt transaction file and
38 entering said transaction file into a system for
39 payment;

40 fourth program instructions responsive to receiving an
41 invoice for a commodity marked at requisition as a non-
42 receivable commodity for executing a negative
43 confirmation process; and wherein

44 said first, second, third and fourth program
45 instructions are recorded on said medium.

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